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LETTER DATED 22 JULY 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

We have already sent to you our letter No. 87 of 6 May 1991, in which we informed you of continued violations of Iraqi airspace by United States and United States-Saudi aircraft (copy transmitted herewith) and requested that you have it circulated as a document of the Security Council. We also sent our letter No. 40 on 17 April 1991 (copy transmitted herewith) concerning continued flights in Iraqi airspace by United States aircraft: in an oversight, we did not request the circulation of that letter as a document of the Security Council.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its two annexes circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdul Amir A. AL-ANBARI
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex I

Letter dated 17 April 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you of continued flights through Iraqi airspace by aircraft of the United States Air Force, as follows:

1. American-Saudi air activity on 14/15 April 1991 amounted to 110 sorties flown by 54 formations, one of which consisted of four aircraft, at altitudes ranging from 5,500 to 8,000 metres and at a speed of 750 kilometres per hour.

2. The aircraft were identified as F-14s and F-15s; air activity centred over Baghdad, Aziziyah, Ramadi and Hashimiyah, for the purpose of reconnaissance and observation.

(Signed) Abdul Amir A. AL-ANBARI
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex II

Letter dated 6 May 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you of continued violations of Iraqi airspace by United States and United States-Saudi aircraft, as follows:

1. American-Saudi air activity on 3/4 May 1991 amounted to one sortie by a two-aircraft formation.

2. The formation flew at a speed of 720 kilometres per hour and at an altitude of 6,000 metres.

3. The aircraft were identified as F-14s; air activity centred over Kut, Karbala and Najaf, for the purpose of observation and provocation.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdul Amir A. AL-ANBARI
Ambassador
Permanent Representative